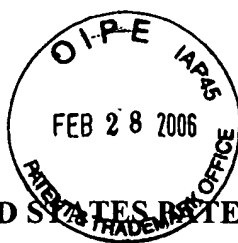


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| Fumihito HATAYAMA, et al. | : | Confirmation Number: 6552 |
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SECOND STATUS INQUIRY

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Sir:

A Status Reply letter was issued August 31, 2005 in the above-identified application, indicating that an action would issue within three months. Since more than six months have elapsed, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before February 18, 2002 in the above-assigned Group Art Unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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